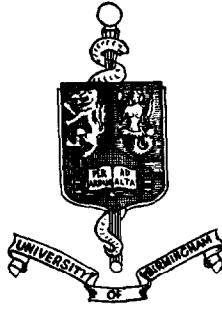


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Dear Lederberg,

One of these days, I hope to prepare another edition of my cytology book, and am collecting material all the time.

I would be very glad to have, for this purpose, an original photograph of one of your copulating bacteria in action.

Naturally, knowing that you have a poor opinion of the book,

I will confine myself to stating exactly what it is, in your own terms, so that you need have no fear of my giving it a slanted interpretation.

Several people could, of course, provide such material, and I have a couple of cultures myself that do so; but since you did discover the phenomenon, and proved it in such an elegant manner, I think the book should carry your picture.

I hope you like Stanford; please remember me to Clifton, also Mrs J.H.

Yours sincerely,

Kenneth Bisset